



# The Bookworm



THE BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE MIDDLETON PUBLIC LIBRARY

## 2018 ADULT WINTER READING PROGRAM BEGINS MONDAY, JANUARY 8TH!

Read 30 hours and become eligible for great prizes like Barnes & Noble gift cards, gift certificates to local restaurants and more! You choose what to read—blogs, newspapers and audio books all count! Stop by the lower level reference desk to pick up a reading log and get started! All completed reading logs must be turned in by **Wednesday, February 28th at 9:00 PM** in order to be eligible for the prize drawing.

And just like last year, you'll have the chance to list on the back of the reading log the best books you've read over the past year. We'll use these to compile a 'best-of' list that we'll post on our website and Facebook page.



## FRIENDS OF THE MIDDLETON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOKSALES

The Friends of the Middleton Public Library will be having a **Paperback Sale** in addition to the regular Book Sale on **Saturday, January 13th** and **Saturday, February 10th**. All the paperbacks in the **Paperback Sale** will be 25 cents apiece. The sales start at **11am** for the general public, but **Friends Members can shop early at 10am**. Memberships are available at the sale, or at anytime at the Library's Circulation Desk.

...and don't forget to renew your Friends Membership for 2018. All programs at the library are funded by the Friends!



## 'SCHOLAR'D FOR LIFE' LECTURE SERIES RETURNING IN 2018!



The Library's popular lecture series returns on **Thursday, February 22nd at 7:00 PM** with **UW-Madison History professor Alfred W. McCoy** presenting a lecture based on his new book,

***In the Shadow of the American Century: The Rise and Decline of U.S. Global Power.***

Alfred W. McCoy is an internationally recognized expert in the history of Southeast Asia who has written extensively on U.S. foreign policy, CIA involvement in the global drug trade, the history of

the Philippines, and the use of torture in CIA interrogations.

Copies of ***In the Shadow of the American Century*** will be available for purchase courtesy of Mystery to Me bookstore. The evening will conclude with a book signing.

### More lectures to come in 2018!

When finalized, the schedule for the 2018 lecture series will be posted at [midlibrary.org/sfl](http://midlibrary.org/sfl)



## EVENTS FOR ADULTS IN JANUARY & FEBRUARY

*Book discussions are listed on the back page.*



**Get to Know Libby,  
the new app from Overdrive!**  
**Thursday, January 11th, 7:00 PM**  
**Saturday, January 20th, 10:00 AM**  
**Tuesday, January 30th, 7:00 PM**

Join us for step-by-step instructions on how to download free library eBooks and audio books on your tablet or other mobile device using Libby, the NEW app from Overdrive that will eventually replace the Overdrive app for reading eBooks and listening to audio books on mobile devices. Apple, Android and Windows Mobile users are welcome. The Libby app is not yet available for Kindle Fire.



**Play Club: *Exit Strategy*  
by Ike Holter**  
**Tuesday, January 16th, 6:00 PM**  
Join us for another installment of  
**Forward Theater's Play Club:** "It's

like a book club for plays!" This time, we'll be discussing Ike Holter's *Exit Strategy*, a play about the impending closure of a Chicago public high school, which will have its Wisconsin premier with Forward Theater running Jan 18 - Feb 4. Staff from Forward will lead the discussion and professional actors will act out scenes from the play. Registration is required for this discussion: online at [www.midlibrary.org](http://www.midlibrary.org) or by email at [info@midlibrary.org](mailto:info@midlibrary.org). Or register in person at the lower level reference desk and pick up a copy of the play. **Please be advised that the play contains strong language and is intended for an adult audience.**



**Free Memory Screenings**  
**Friday, January 19th, 9AM – 12PM**  
Study Room C (lower level)

A memory screening is a wellness tool that helps identify possible changes in memory and creates a baseline so future changes can be monitored. Specialists from the Aging & Disability Resource Center will provide these free 10-minute memory screenings and will have information about memory, memory clinics, brain health and local resources that are available. Call the reference desk at 608-827-7403 to reserve a time.



**Adult Craft Event:  
Pom-Pom Palooza**  
**Thursday, February 1st, 6:30 PM**

Pom-poms aren't just for kid crafts! Learn the basics of grown-up pom-pom crafting for a variety of sophisticated and whimsical home decor uses. All supplies provided. Space is limited; registration required.



**Best in Show App Class**  
**Tuesday, February 20th, 7:00 PM**

Join us as we take a look at some of the best apps out there for your Apple iOS or Android tablets & phones. Categories: Productivity, Security, Shopping/Dining, Social Media, Games, and much more! Come ready to share the apps you love to use!



**Hidden Voices:  
African American Writers in  
Wisconsin**  
**Tuesday, February 27th,  
6:30 PM**

Join three Madison-area African American writers — poet **Fabu**, novelist **Sherry Lucille**, and playwright and novelist **Catrina Sparkman** — as they discuss their poetry and prose in relation to the work of three African American literary giants who also lived and worked in the Madison area during the 20th century: novelist Jean Toomer, playwright Lorraine Hansberry, and poet Sarah Webster Fabio. Experience poetry, prose, and drama that will shed light on what it means to be African American in Wisconsin today, yesterday, and tomorrow through a multimedia presentation about the work and lives of these literary artists and their interpretations of race in Wisconsin. This event is funded by Beyond the Page, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Madison Community Foundation.

*All events will take place in the Archer Room on the library's lower level unless otherwise noted. Registration is appreciated: Online via our events calendar at [midlibrary.org/events](http://midlibrary.org/events) or by email at [info@midlibrary.org](mailto:info@midlibrary.org).*

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# January 2018

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	<b>CLOSED</b> New Year's Day - Library Closed	9:30 Big Kids Storytime 10:30 Big Kids Storytime	9:30 Little Kids Storytime 9:30 Friends Book Sorting 10:30 Little Kids Storytime	9:00 Friends Book Sale 9:30 Tiny Tots Storytime 10:30 Tiny Tots Storytime 4:15 Loosely Controlled Chaos Club 6:00 Minecraft Club 6:30 3DSwitch	9:00 Friends Book Sale 9:30 Baby Lapsit Storytime	
7	Teen Essay Contest deadline Adult Winter Reading Program Begins! 10:30 little om BIG OM: Family & Toddler Yoga 4:15 Teen Advisory Committee	9:30 Big Kids Storytime 10:30 Communication Innovations Storytime 5:30 Library Board Meeting 6:00 Coding Club	9:30 Little Kids Storytime 9:30 Friends Book Sorting 10:30 Little Kids Storytime	9:30 Tiny Tots Storytime 10:30 Tiny Tots Storytime 6:00 Minecraft Club 7:00 Get to Know Libby!	9:30 Baby Lapsit Storytime 4:00 Mock Printz Award	<b>SALE</b> 10:00 Friends Book Sale - Special Paperback Sale
14	 3:00 Martin Luther King Jr. Event & Essay Contest	9:30 Big Kids Storytime 10:30 Big Kids Storytime 6:00 Coding Club 6:00 Play Club: 'Exit Strategy' 7:00 Friends Board Meeting	9:30 Little Kids Storytime 9:30 Friends Book Sorting 10:30 Little Kids Storytime 6:30 Creative Writing Group for Adults	9:00 Friends Book Sale 9:30 Tiny Tots Storytime 10:00 Adult Book Discussion 10:30 Tiny Tots Storytime 6:00 Minecraft Club 7:00 Let's Talk About Texts - Catch 22	9:00 Friends Book Sale 9:00 Memory Screenings 9:30 Baby Lapsit Storytime	10:00 Get to Know Libby!
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## TEEN EVENTS IN JANUARY & FEBRUARY



### Love to Write?

What social change would you most like to see in the world? That is the theme for our **Teen Essay Contest** this year—enter to win a chance at a \$25 prize! (Grades 7-12, limit 2 pages, entries due by Jan. 8.) The winning essay will be read at our **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Event on Jan. 15 at 3pm**—join us to hear other selected speeches as well, and make a button of your favorite quote!

If you prefer more creative writing, don't miss our **Teen Creative Writing Circle on Feb. 7th at 4pm!** We will delve into story elements like plot, character, and pacing—bring your writing to share! Group feedback provided in a supportive environment.



### Read a Winner!

What was the best teen book you read in 2017? Join us to vote for the book you think should win the Printz Award for best teen novel of 2017 at our **Mock Printz Award on Jan. 12th at 4pm!** A list of nominated titles is available at the Help Desk of the Library—see if your prediction for the winner comes true when the official winner is announced later this month!

Also, if you love science fiction and video games, we'd love to hear your thoughts on the book **Ready Player One** at our next **Donuts & Dystopias Teen Book Discussion group on Feb. 9th at 4pm!** A movie version of the book will be premiering soon, and free copies of the book are available at the Help Desk for book discussion participants while supplies last.

Do you think you can outread your competitors? We challenge you to put your reading skills to the test at our **Teen Readathon on Feb. 15 at 4pm!** Doodling or talking will result in disqualification, there will be a 5 min. break after every hour. A Sudden Death Book Trivia Contest with our final contestants will break any ties. Mystery dinner served! Registration required.

### I ♥ Music & Gaming!

**KPOP** What are your favorite K-pop bands? Our **K-pop Fan Club** will debut on **Feb. 10 at 3pm**; bring songs to share—we will have band-related freebies! Do you love Nintendo Switch? Don't miss our **3DSwitch Club**—we meet the **first Thursday of each month, from 6:30 -8:30 pm!**

We hope to see you soon at the library!

## DROP-IN JOB HELP AT THE LIBRARY IN 2018

The Library is once again collaborating with the Dane Co. Job Center to offer free drop-in job help on the fourth Thursday of each month in study room B on the library's lower level. Receive help with resumes, cover letters, interview skills, job searching and more! First-come, first served.

### Upcoming dates:

Tuesday, January 23rd, 1:30 – 4:00 PM

Tuesday, February 27th, 1:30 – 4:00 PM

Tuesday, March 27th, 1:30 – 4:00 PM



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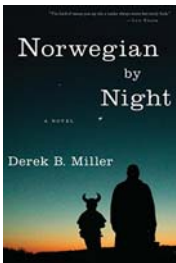
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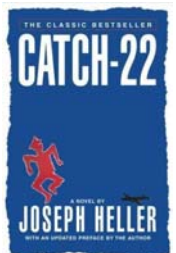
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## BOOK DISCUSSIONS IN JANUARY & FEBRUARY



**Morning Book Discussion:**  
***Norwegian by Night***  
**by Derek Miller**  
**Thursday, January 18th,**  
**10:00 AM**

Everyone is welcome to join us for our monthly Thursday morning book discussion group! This month, we're discussing Derek Miller's 2013 genre-defying novel, ***Norwegian by Night***. Light refreshments will be provided. Copies of the book are available at the reference desk on the library's lower level.



**"Let's Talk About Texts" Book Discussion: *Catch-22***  
**by Joseph Heller**  
**Thursday, January 18th,**  
**7:00 PM** at the Free House Pub,  
1902 Parmenter St. in downtown  
Middleton

Our bi-monthly book group meets in January to discuss ***Catch-22***, Joseph Heller's

classic satire of war, bureaucracy, and human nature. Everyone is welcome to join us at the Free House Pub, 1902 Parmenter St., for drinks and lively conversation! Copies of the book are available at the library's lower-level reference desk.



**Morning Book Discussion:**  
***Lab Girl*** by Hope Jahren  
**Thursday, February 15th,**  
**10:00 AM**

In February, our Thursday morning book group will be discussing ***Lab Girl***, geobiologist Hope Jahren's bestselling memoir and the winner of the 2017 National Book Critics Circle Award for Autobiography. Copies of the book will be available at the lower-level reference desk. As always, we'll have coffee and light refreshments; everyone is welcome to join us!

